NORTH BEVERLY ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION COMMITTEE P. O. BOX 8 WENHAM, MA 01984

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Mr. Michael Deland Chief Administrator, Region I, Environmental Protection Agency



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Dear Mr. Deland,

Several months ago we sent you a letter which detailed our concerns about hazardous waste disposal in our neighborhood located in North Beverly.

Recent sampling revealed a variety of volatile organic compounds in the ground water. We are also aware of DEQE sampling which showed volatile organic compounds in the brook which flows through the area and into Wenham Lake, the water supply for 80,000 residents of Beverly and Salem.

We once again ask you to conduct a site assessment in the area near Beverly Airport to once and for all determine the nature and extent of contamination that threatens our City's water supply.

We understand that recent Congressional developments have authorized \$150,000,000.00 dollars in the Superfund program and that site investigations are a designated priority of these funds. We would welcome your help because it seems that DEQE does not consider volatile organic compounds flowing in streams that feed our reservoir as an important environmental issue. We however feel that the area needs a thorough study.

We look forward to your response.

For the Committee,

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